

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Toshihiko HUIKATA

Group Art Unit: 2855

Application No.: 10/614,197

Examiner: Miller

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Docket No.: 116471

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING CRACKS IN HONEYCOMB  
STRUCTURE

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination on them merits, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**